Milton Town Council Meeting February 29, 2016 Summary Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order in the Milton Public Library at approximately 6:30 PM on February 29, 2016 by Mayor Jones. A moment of silence was then observed, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call:

Theodore Kanakos, present
Emory West, absent
Esthelda Parker-Selby, absent
Michael Cote, present
Kevin Kelly, present
Sam Garde, absent
Marion Jones, present
Seth Thompson, Milton Town Solicitor, present
John Collier, Milton Project Coordinator, present

These Preliminary Minutes:

These minutes cover only the high points of the meeting. The discussions were recorded, and may be transcribed at a later date. The recording is available in Town Hall. Documents included in the Council Package are not included as attachments to these summary minutes.

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda:

There were no suggestions for additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Agenda Approval:

A motion was made by Councilman Kelly to approve the Agenda as submitted. Councilman Cote seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Workshop style discussion regarding proposed amendments to the Town Charter:

Mr Collier facilitated the discussions by projecting the current draft of the changes to the Charter. He indicated the draft being projected contained, to best of his knowledge and ability, all of the changes recommended by the Charter and Ordinance Committee, as well as other changes suggested during other past reviews. He made every effort to incorporate new changes into that draft as the points were agreed during the discussions.

Aspects of the draft Charter revisions were discussed, with the intent of picking up where the last workshop left off, i.e., at Section 8. However, the meeting started with followup on a few items covered in the last meeting. That discussion included that the

Mayor, Town Council members and members of other Boards and Commissions had term limits. It was further noted that members of committees and other ad-hoc groups served "at the pleasure" of the mayor and Town Council, so such appointees could be removed at essentially any time.

Sections 8 through 15 were discussed in detail. It was considered that workshop style meetings open to the public would be continued until Mayor and Town Council had reviewed the entire Charter prior to having a meeting in which voting could take place.

A final summary of all Charter workshops will be prepared when the draft charter changes are all agreed by Mayor and Town Council members.

Adjournment

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn.

Approval

These minutes were approved as part of the Consent Agenda at the Town Council meeting held on March 3, 2017.

Very Respectfully submitted based on the recording of the meeting, James C. ("Sam") Garde, Secretary of the Town Council